

Fryer goals give Wycombe victory

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WYCOMBE WANDERS. 3 : SLOUGH TN ... 1

WYCOMBE Wanderers missed chances in the first half of their Berks and Bucks Senior Cup second round match against Slough at High Wycombe this afternoon, but after the interval they were much more on the mark and deservedly won 3-1.

Wycombe: Syrett; Beck, Moring; Truett, Fisher, Wheeler; Worley, Trott, Bates, Fryer, Free.

Slough: Redford; Godhew, Glanville; Gorst, Claridge, Scott; Bloom, Ilsey, Loughran, Patterson, McCallum.

Referee: A. North (Aylesbury).

Slough had two narrow escapes in the first five minutes—first when a shot by Trott was diverted on to the upright by Glanville and again when Bates got through on his own and with an open goal before him was robbed in the nick of time by Goodhew.

Slick passing by the home forwards gave the Slough defence a lot of trouble, but the attack's finishing was poor.

When Worley forced a corner a shot by Fryer was only just cleared by goalkeeper Redford who a little later made another save from the same player.

OVER THE BAR

The Slough forwards were generally kept at long range by quick Wycombe tackling and their nearest attempt came from the former Wycombe player, McCallum, whose shot from the wing went just over the bar.

A few minutes later centre-forward Loughran almost scored with a similar shot after another good run by McCallum. Then in a series of attacks by Wycombe, Bates brought Redford to his knees with a long-range shot, then broke through on his own and shot just wide, and Trott flashed in a shot which slammed against the

cross-bar.

Worley, Trott and Free all shot wide when well placed in Wycombe attacks. At the other end Syrett did well to save a good shot by Loughran.

Half-time: Wycombe Wanderers 0, Slough 0.

A smart Slough attack caught the Wycombe defence on the hop in the first minute of the second half. Loughran beat Fisher and sent the ball across for McCALLUM, who had run in from the wing, to beat Syrett to put the visitors one up—all against the run of play.

Wycombe hit back and in the 60th minute Slough conceded a penalty when Glanville handled in the penalty area. BATES equalised from the spot. Five minutes later, with Wycombe maintaining strong pressure, FRYER flashed in a shot from Free's pass to put Wycombe ahead.

Slough continued to fight back with great spirit, but the Wanderer's attack always looked more dangerous.

Slough had two more lucky escapes when Trott banged in a shot from point-blank range which hit the underside of the cross bar and bounced out and again when Glanville stopped another of his shots on the goal line. It was certainly no more than Wycombe deserved when in the last minute FRYER took a pass from Bates to add a third.

RESULT

WYCOMBE WANDERERS 3
SLOUGH TOWN 1

WYCOMBE CAN THANK FRYER

Wycombe 3, Slough 1

OFF-THE-TARGET Wycombe Wanderers, missing chances galore, made hard work of their second-round victory over Slough in the Berks and Bucks Senior Cup.

Slough had a succession of lucky escapes in the goalless first half against the more workmanlike but erratic home forwards and it was against the run of play when they took the lead in the first minute of the second half through former Wycombe player John McCullum.

Wycombe equalised from a penalty by Bates 14 minutes later and although their forward movements still lacked venom they kept the play largely in the Slough area for the rest of the game.

Fryer, inspiration of many of the home attacks, scored in the 65th minute and again in the last minute.